

# mml-Linear Algebra

## Linear Algebra

### Systems of Linear Equations

For a systematic approach to solving systems of linear equations, we collect

- coefficients  $a_{ij}$  into **vectors**
- and vectors into **matrix**

$$\begin{bmatrix} a_{11} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m1} \end{bmatrix} x_1 + \begin{bmatrix} a_{12} \\ \vdots \\ a_{m2} \end{bmatrix} x_2 + \cdots + \begin{bmatrix} a_{1n} \\ \vdots \\ a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} x_n = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix} \quad \Longleftrightarrow \quad \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ \vdots \\ x_n \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} b_1 \\ \vdots \\ b_m \end{bmatrix}.$$

### Matrix

With  $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$  a real-valued  $(m, n)$  matrix  $A$  is an  $m \cdot n$ -tuple of elements  $a_{ij}, i = 1, 2, \dots, m, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$  which is ordered according to a rectangular scheme consisting of  $m$  rows and  $n$  columns

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} & a_{12} & \cdots & a_{1n} \\ a_{21} & a_{22} & \cdots & a_{2n} \\ \vdots & \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} & a_{m2} & \cdots & a_{mn} \end{bmatrix}, \quad a_{ij} \in \mathbb{R}.$$

### Addition and Multiplication

#### Addition

The two matrices should be in the same shape.

$$\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B} := \begin{bmatrix} a_{11} + b_{11} & \cdots & a_{1n} + b_{1n} \\ \vdots & & \vdots \\ a_{m1} + b_{m1} & \cdots & a_{mn} + b_{mn} \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}.$$

### Multiplication

The matrix of  $\mathbf{B}$  should have the same rows as the columns of the matrix of  $\mathbf{A}$ , multiply the elements of the  $i$ th row of  $\mathbf{A}$  with the  $j$ th column of  $\mathbf{B}$  and sum them up.

For matrices  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ ,  $\mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}$ , the elements  $c_{ij}$  of the product  $\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{AB} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times k}$  are computed as

$$c_{ij} = \sum_{l=1}^n a_{il}b_{lj}, \quad i = 1, \dots, m, \quad j = 1, \dots, k. \quad (2.13)$$

The multiplication of matrices is actually *dot production of corresponding row and column*, and use  $\mathbf{A} \cdot \mathbf{B}$  to denote the operation.



**$\mathbf{AB} \neq \mathbf{BA}$** : more likely

### Identify Matrix $\mathbf{I}_n$

Define a  $n \times n$  - matrix contains 1 on the whole diagonal and 0 everywhere else.

$$\mathbf{I}_n := \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 1 & \cdots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & \cdots & 0 & \cdots & 1 \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$$

### Some properties of matrix

*Associativity*

$$\forall \mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p}, \mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{p \times q} : (\mathbf{AB})\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{A}(\mathbf{BC})$$

*Distributivity*

$$\forall \mathbf{A}, \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times p} : (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{AC} + \mathbf{BC}$$

*Multiplication with the  $\mathbf{I}_n$*

$$\forall \mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n} : \mathbf{I}_m \mathbf{A} = \mathbf{AI}_n$$

### Inverse Matrices

For square matrices,  $\mathbf{AB} = \mathbf{I}_n = \mathbf{BA}$ , then  $\mathbf{B}$  is the inverse of the matrix  $\mathbf{A}$ , denoted by  $\mathbf{A}^{-1}$ .



Not every matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  has an inverse.

If the inverse of a matrix  $\mathbf{A}$  exists, then  $\mathbf{A}$  is called *regular/invertible/nonsingular*, and it's unique. Otherwise,  $\mathbf{A}$  is called *singular/noninvertible*.

For a  $2 \times 2$  - matrix, its inverse is, if and only if  $a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21} \neq 0$ ,

$$\mathbf{A}^{-1} = \frac{1}{a_{11}a_{22} - a_{12}a_{21}} \begin{bmatrix} a_{22} & -a_{12} \\ -a_{21} & a_{11} \end{bmatrix}$$

### Transpose Matrix

For two matrices  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times m}$  with  $b_{ij} = a_{ji}$ , then  $\mathbf{B}$  is the *transpose* of  $\mathbf{A}$ , denoted by  $\mathbf{B} = \mathbf{A}^T$ .

**More properties...**

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{AA}^{-1} &= \mathbf{I} = \mathbf{A}^{-1}\mathbf{A} & (\mathbf{A}^T)^T &= \mathbf{A} \\ (\mathbf{AB})^{-1} &= \mathbf{B}^{-1}\mathbf{A}^{-1} & (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})^T &= \mathbf{A}^T + \mathbf{B}^T \\ (\mathbf{A} + \mathbf{B})^{-1} &\neq \mathbf{A}^{-1} + \mathbf{B}^{-1} & (\mathbf{AB})^T &= \mathbf{B}^T \mathbf{A}^T \end{aligned}$$

### Symmetric Matrix

If  $\mathbf{A} = \mathbf{A}^T$ , then  $\mathbf{A}$  is symmetric.

Only square matrices can be symmetric.

If  $\mathbf{A}$  is invertible, then so is  $\mathbf{A}^T$ :  $(\mathbf{A}^{-1})^T = (\mathbf{A}^T)^{-1} := \mathbf{A}^{-T}$ .

The sum of two symmetric matrices is always symmetric, the product, however, is generally not.

## Multiplication by a scalar

When a scalar  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  multiply to a matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$ , the  $\lambda$  times with each element in the matrix, the result is also a matrix.

### Properties...

- *Associativity:*  
 $(\lambda\psi)\mathbf{C} = \lambda(\psi\mathbf{C}), \quad \mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$
- $\lambda(\mathbf{BC}) = (\lambda\mathbf{B})\mathbf{C} = \mathbf{B}(\lambda\mathbf{C}) = (\mathbf{BC})\lambda, \quad \mathbf{B} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, \mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times k}.$   
 Note that this allows us to move scalar values around.
- $(\lambda\mathbf{C})^\top = \mathbf{C}^\top \lambda^\top = \mathbf{C}^\top \lambda = \lambda\mathbf{C}^\top$  since  $\lambda = \lambda^\top$  for all  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ .
- *Distributivity:*  
 $(\lambda + \psi)\mathbf{C} = \lambda\mathbf{C} + \psi\mathbf{C}, \quad \mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$   
 $\lambda(\mathbf{B} + \mathbf{C}) = \lambda\mathbf{B} + \lambda\mathbf{C}, \quad \mathbf{B}, \mathbf{C} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$

## Compact Representations of Linear Equations

Represent linear equations in matrix form as  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$ , with  $\mathbf{A}$  represents the coefficients,  $\mathbf{x}$  represents the  $x$ s.

## Solving System of Linear Equations

### Particular and General Solution

#### The Minus-1 Trick

for reading out the solutions of a homogeneous system of linear equations  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0}$ , where  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{k \times n}$ , by extending the matrix(RREF) to  $n \times n$ -matrix with  $n - k$  rows of

$$[0 \quad \dots \quad 0 \quad -1 \quad 0 \quad \dots \quad 0]$$

Example of Minus-1 Trick

### Example 2.8 (Minus-1 Trick)

Let us revisit the matrix in (2.49), which is already in reduced REF:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -4 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (2.53)$$

We now augment this matrix to a  $5 \times 5$  matrix by adding rows of the form (2.52) at the places where the pivots on the diagonal are missing and obtain

$$\tilde{A} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 3 & 0 & 0 & 3 \\ 0 & -1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 1 & 0 & 9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & -4 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (2.54)$$

From this form, we can immediately read out the solutions of  $Ax = 0$  by taking the columns of  $\tilde{A}$ , which contain  $-1$  on the diagonal:

$$\left\{ x \in \mathbb{R}^5 : x = \lambda_1 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ -1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix} + \lambda_2 \begin{bmatrix} 3 \\ 0 \\ 9 \\ -4 \\ -1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \lambda_1, \lambda_2 \in \mathbb{R} \right\}, \quad (2.55)$$

which is identical to the solution in (2.50) that we obtained by “insight”.

## Elementary Transformation

Transform the equation system into a simpler form, using the Gaussian Elimination laws.

- Exchange of two equations (rows in the matrix representing the system of equations)
- Multiplication of an equation (row) with a constant  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$
- Addition of two equations (rows)

The Gaussian elimination can change augmented matrix into the **reduced row-echelon form (RREF)**.

An example of a REF of a  $4 \times 5$ -matrix.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & a_0 & a_1 & a_2 & a_3 \\ 0 & 0 & 2 & a_4 & a_5 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & a_6 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

**Pivots:** the leading coefficient of a row, or, 1st nonzero number from left

**Basic and free variables:**

- basic variables are those corresponding to the pivots,  $x_1, x_3, x_4$  in the above example.
- the others are free variables,  $x_2, x_5$  in the above example.

**Reduced Row Echelon Form(RREF):** a REF where every pivot is 1 and is the only nonzero entry in its column. An example of a RREF  $3 \times 5$ -matrix.

$$\begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & a_1 & 0 & b_1 \\ 0 & 1 & a_2 & 0 & b_2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 & b_3 \end{bmatrix}$$

The REF helps find the particular solution while the RREF helps find the general solution directly.

## Calculating the Inverse

To compute the inverse  $A^{-1}$  of  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$ , we need a matrix  $X$  that satisfies  $AX = I_n$ , then  $X = A^{-1}$ .

We use the augmented matrix  $[A|I_n] \rightarrow [I_n|A^{-1}]$  to reduced row-echelon form, the the inverse is on the right-hand side of the equation system.

## Moore-Penrose pseudo-inverse

For square and invertible matrices, we can use the inverse to solve the equation of  $Ax = b$  with the result as  $x = A^{-1}b$ .

For more usual cases, we can use the transformation

$$Ax = b \iff A^T Ax = A^T b \iff x = (A^T A)^{-1} A^T b$$

and use the *Moore-Penrose pseudo-inverse*  $(A^T A)^{-1} A^T$  to determine the solution.



Due to large computation of matrix production and inverse, it's not recommended.

## Vector Spaces

### Groups

A set of elements and an operation defined on these elements that keeps some structure of the set intact.

For a set  $\varsigma$  and an operation  $\otimes$ ,  $G := (\varsigma, \otimes)$  is a group if:

1. *Closure of  $\mathcal{G}$  under  $\otimes$ :*  $\forall x, y \in \mathcal{G} : x \otimes y \in \mathcal{G}$
2. *Associativity:*  $\forall x, y, z \in \mathcal{G} : (x \otimes y) \otimes z = x \otimes (y \otimes z)$
3. *Neutral element:*  $\exists e \in \mathcal{G} \forall x \in \mathcal{G} : x \otimes e = x$  and  $e \otimes x = x$
4. *Inverse element:*  $\forall x \in \mathcal{G} \exists y \in \mathcal{G} : x \otimes y = e$  and  $y \otimes x = e$ , where  $e$  is the neutral element. We often write  $x^{-1}$  to denote the inverse element of  $x$ .

*Abelian group / commutative:*

If additionally  $\forall x, y \in \varsigma : x \otimes y = y \otimes x$ , then  $G = (\varsigma, \otimes)$  is Abelian group.



$(\mathbb{R}^{m \times n}, +)$ , the set of  $m \times n$ -matrix is Abelian, with component-wise addition.

### General linear group:

$(\mathbb{R}^{n \times n}, \cdot)$  is the *general linear group*, denoted by  $GL(n, \mathbb{R})$ , when the the matrices are regular, or invertible and with the respect to matrix multiplication as (2.13).

Since the matrix multiplication is not commutative, the GL-group is not Abelian.

## Vector Spaces

Inner operation  $\rightarrow +$

Outer operation  $\rightarrow \cdot$ , the multiplication of a vector by a scalar

A real-valued vector space  $V = (\gamma, +, \cdot)$  is a set  $\gamma$  with 2 operations

$$+ : \mathcal{V} \times \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{V} \quad (2.62)$$

$$\cdot : \mathbb{R} \times \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{V} \quad (2.63)$$

where

1.  $(\mathcal{V}, +)$  is an Abelian group
2. Distributivity:
  1.  $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R}, \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{V} : \lambda \cdot (\mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y}) = \lambda \cdot \mathbf{x} + \lambda \cdot \mathbf{y}$
  2.  $\forall \lambda, \psi \in \mathbb{R}, \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V} : (\lambda + \psi) \cdot \mathbf{x} = \lambda \cdot \mathbf{x} + \psi \cdot \mathbf{x}$
3. Associativity (outer operation):  $\forall \lambda, \psi \in \mathbb{R}, \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V} : \lambda \cdot (\psi \cdot \mathbf{x}) = (\lambda\psi) \cdot \mathbf{x}$
4. Neutral element with respect to the outer operation:  $\forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{V} : 1 \cdot \mathbf{x} = \mathbf{x}$

- The elements  $\mathbf{x} \in \gamma$  are *vectors*
- The neutral element of  $(\gamma, +)$  is *zero vector*  $\mathbf{0} = [0, \dots, 0]^\top$
- Inner operation  $+$  is *vector addition*
- The elements  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$  are *scalar*, the outer operation  $\cdot$  is *multiplication by scalars*

## Vector Subspaces

vector subspace

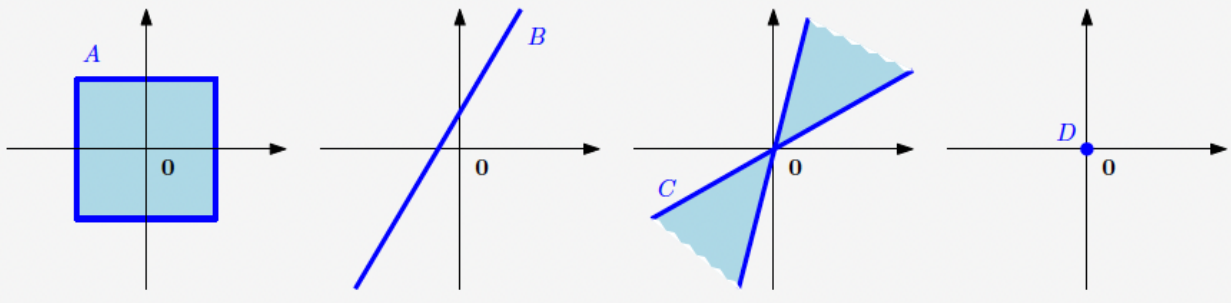
**Definition 2.10** (Vector Subspace). Let  $V = (\mathcal{V}, +, \cdot)$  be a vector space and  $\mathcal{U} \subseteq \mathcal{V}, \mathcal{U} \neq \emptyset$ . Then  $U = (\mathcal{U}, +, \cdot)$  is called *vector subspace* of  $V$  (or *linear subspace*) if  $U$  is a vector space with the vector space operations  $+$  and  $\cdot$  restricted to  $\mathcal{U} \times \mathcal{U}$  and  $\mathbb{R} \times \mathcal{U}$ . We write  $U \subseteq V$  to denote a subspace  $U$  of  $V$ .

**To determine whether  $(U, +, \cdot)$  is a subspace**

1.  $\mathcal{U} \neq \emptyset$ , in particular:  $\mathbf{0} \in \mathcal{U}$
2. Closure of  $U$ :
  - a. With respect to the outer operation:  $\forall \lambda \in \mathbb{R} \forall \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{U} : \lambda \mathbf{x} \in \mathcal{U}$ .
  - b. With respect to the inner operation:  $\forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{U} : \mathbf{x} + \mathbf{y} \in \mathcal{U}$ .



- For every vector space  $V$ , the trivial subspaces are  $V$  itself and  $\{0\}$ .
- Only example  $D$  in Figure 2.1 is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  (with the usual inner/outer operations). In  $A$  and  $C$ , the closure property is violated;  $B$  does not contain  $0$ .
- The solution set of a homogeneous system of linear equations  $Ax = 0$  with  $n$  unknowns  $x = [x_1, \dots, x_n]^T$  is a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- The solution of an inhomogeneous system of linear equations  $Ax = b$ ,  $b \neq 0$  is not a subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^n$ .
- The intersection of arbitrarily many subspaces is a subspace itself.



## Linear Independence

### Linear Combination

**Definition 2.11** (Linear Combination). Consider a vector space  $V$  and a finite number of vectors  $x_1, \dots, x_k \in V$ . Then, every  $v \in V$  of the form

$$v = \lambda_1 x_1 + \dots + \lambda_k x_k = \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i x_i \in V \quad (2.65)$$

with  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k \in \mathbb{R}$  is a *linear combination* of the vectors  $x_1, \dots, x_k$ .

$0$ -vector is always a linear combination, since  $0 = \sum_{i=1}^k 0x_i$  is always true.

### Linear Independence

If there's at least one coefficient isn't  $0$ , then it's *linearly dependent*.

**Definition 2.12** (Linear (In)dependence). Let us consider a vector space  $V$  with  $k \in \mathbb{N}$  and  $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k \in V$ . If there is a non-trivial linear combination, such that  $\mathbf{0} = \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i \mathbf{x}_i$  with at least one  $\lambda_i \neq 0$ , the vectors  $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k$  are *linearly dependent*. If only the trivial solution exists, i.e.,  $\lambda_1 = \dots = \lambda_k = 0$  the vectors  $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k$  are *linearly independent*.

### Useful properties to check linearly independency

- $k$  vectors are either *linearly dependent* or *linearly independent*, no other options.
- If at least one of the vectors is  $\mathbf{0}$  then they're *linearly dependent*. Same if there're 2 identical vectors.
- Using Gaussian Elimination to convert matrix to (Reduced) REF, and
  - if and only if all columns are pivot columns, they are *linear independent*
  - if there's one non-pivot column, they're *linearly dependent*

## Basis and Rank

### Basis

#### Generating Set and Span

**Definition 2.13** (Generating Set and Span). Consider a vector space  $V = (\mathcal{V}, +, \cdot)$  and set of vectors  $\mathcal{A} = \{\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k\} \subseteq \mathcal{V}$ . If every vector  $\mathbf{v} \in \mathcal{V}$  can be expressed as a linear combination of  $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k$ ,  $\mathcal{A}$  is called a *generating set* of  $V$ . The set of all linear combinations of vectors in  $\mathcal{A}$  is called the *span* of  $\mathcal{A}$ . If  $\mathcal{A}$  spans the vector space  $V$ , we write  $V = \text{span}[\mathcal{A}]$  or  $V = \text{span}[\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k]$ .

Generating sets are sets of vectors that span vector (sub)spaces, every vector can be represented as a linear combination of the vectors in the generating set.

the smallest generating set that spans a vector (sub)space

**Definition 2.14 (Basis).** Consider a vector space  $V = (\mathcal{V}, +, \cdot)$  and  $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{V}$ . A generating set  $\mathcal{A}$  of  $V$  is called *minimal* if there exists no smaller set  $\tilde{\mathcal{A}} \subsetneq \mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{V}$  that spans  $V$ . Every linearly independent generating set of  $V$  is minimal and is called a *basis* of  $V$ .



A basis is a minimal generating set and a maximal linearly independent set of vectors.

Let  $V = (\mathcal{V}, +, \cdot)$  be a vector space and  $\mathcal{B} \subseteq \mathcal{V}, \mathcal{B} \neq \emptyset$ . Then, the following statements are equivalent:

- $\mathcal{B}$  is a basis of  $V$ .
- $\mathcal{B}$  is a minimal generating set.
- $\mathcal{B}$  is a maximal linearly independent set of vectors in  $V$ , i.e., adding any other vector to this set will make it linearly dependent.
- Every vector  $x \in V$  is a linear combination of vectors from  $\mathcal{B}$ , and every linear combination is unique, i.e., with

$$x = \sum_{i=1}^k \lambda_i b_i = \sum_{i=1}^k \psi_i b_i \quad (2.77)$$

and  $\lambda_i, \psi_i \in \mathbb{R}, b_i \in \mathcal{B}$  it follows that  $\lambda_i = \psi_i, i = 1, \dots, k$ .

- Every vector space possesses a basis, but there's no unique basis.
- *Basis vectors*, the same number of elements of basis.

In finite-dimensional vector spaces  $V$ , the *dimension* of  $V$  is the number of basis vectors of  $V$ , write  $\dim(V)$ .

- If  $U \subseteq V$  is a subspace of  $V$ , then  $\dim(U) \leq \dim(V)$  and  $\dim(U) = \dim(V)$  if and only if  $U = V$ .

### Determining a Basis

*Determine a basis of a subspace:*

*Remark.* The dimension of a vector space is not necessarily the number of elements in a vector.

*Remark.* A basis of a subspace  $U = \text{span}[x_1, \dots, x_m] \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  can be found by executing the following steps:

1. Write the spanning vectors as columns of a matrix  $A$
2. Determine the row-echelon form of  $A$ .
3. The spanning vectors associated with the pivot columns are a basis of  $U$ .



Make vectors to a matrix  $\rightarrow$  Gaussian Elimination transfer to REF  $\rightarrow$  the pivots columns are the basis of the subspace  $U$

## Rank

The number of linearly independent columns of a matrix  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  equals to the number of linearly independent rows and is called the *rank*, denoted by  $rk(A)$ .

The rank is also the number of pivots of a Row-Echelon Form of the matrix  $A$ .

- $\text{rk}(\mathbf{A}) = \text{rk}(\mathbf{A}^\top)$ , i.e., the column rank equals the row rank.
- The columns of  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  span a subspace  $U \subseteq \mathbb{R}^m$  with  $\dim(U) = \text{rk}(\mathbf{A})$ . Later we will call this subspace the *image* or *range*. A basis of  $U$  can be found by applying Gaussian elimination to  $\mathbf{A}$  to identify the pivot columns.
- The rows of  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  span a subspace  $W \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n$  with  $\dim(W) = \text{rk}(\mathbf{A})$ . A basis of  $W$  can be found by applying Gaussian elimination to  $\mathbf{A}^\top$ .
- For all  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  it holds that  $\mathbf{A}$  is regular (invertible) if and only if  $\text{rk}(\mathbf{A}) = n$ .
- For all  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and all  $\mathbf{b} \in \mathbb{R}^m$  it holds that the linear equation system  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{b}$  can be solved if and only if  $\text{rk}(\mathbf{A}) = \text{rk}(\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{b})$ , where  $\mathbf{A}|\mathbf{b}$  denotes the augmented system.
- For  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  the subspace of solutions for  $\mathbf{Ax} = \mathbf{0}$  possesses dimension  $n - \text{rk}(\mathbf{A})$ . Later, we will call this subspace the *kernel* or the *null space*.
- A matrix  $\mathbf{A} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  has full rank if its rank equals the largest possible rank for a matrix of the same dimensions. This means that the rank of a full-rank matrix is the lesser of the number of rows and columns, i.e.,  $\text{rk}(\mathbf{A}) = \min(m, n)$ . A matrix is said to be *rank deficient* if it does not have full rank.

## Linear Mappings

*Vectors are objects that can be added together and multiplied by a scalar, and the resulting object is still a vector*

**Definition 2.15** (Linear Mapping). For vector spaces  $V, W$ , a mapping  $\Phi : V \rightarrow W$  is called a *linear mapping* (or *vector space homomorphism/linear transformation*) if

$$\forall \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{y} \in V \forall \lambda, \psi \in \mathbb{R} : \Phi(\lambda \mathbf{x} + \psi \mathbf{y}) = \lambda \Phi(\mathbf{x}) + \psi \Phi(\mathbf{y}). \quad (2.87)$$

We can represent linear mappings as matrices.

### Homomorphism

A homomorphism is a map between two algebraic structures of the same type (that is of the same name), (here is tow vector space), that preserves

the operations of the structures.

For example:

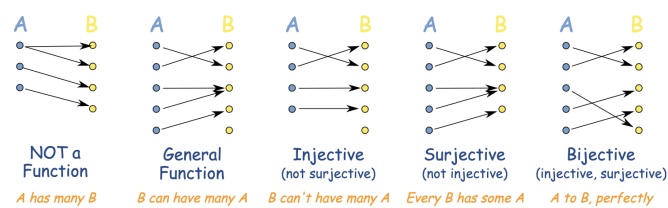
The mapping  $\Phi : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\Phi(x) = x_1 + ix_2$ , is a homomorphism:

$$\begin{aligned}\Phi\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix} + \begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= (x_1 + y_1) + i(x_2 + y_2) = x_1 + ix_2 + y_1 + iy_2 \\ &= \Phi\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) + \Phi\left(\begin{bmatrix} y_1 \\ y_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) \\ \Phi\left(\lambda \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right) &= \lambda x_1 + i\lambda x_2 = \lambda(x_1 + ix_2) = \lambda\Phi\left(\begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \end{bmatrix}\right).\end{aligned}$$

### Special mappings: Injective, Surjective, Bijective

**Definition 2.16** (Injective, Surjective, Bijective). Consider a mapping  $\Phi : \mathcal{V} \rightarrow \mathcal{W}$ , where  $\mathcal{V}, \mathcal{W}$  can be arbitrary sets. Then  $\Phi$  is called

- *Injective* if  $\forall x, y \in \mathcal{V} : \Phi(x) = \Phi(y) \implies x = y$ .
- *Surjective* if  $\Phi(\mathcal{V}) = \mathcal{W}$ .
- *Bijective* if it is injective and surjective.



The definition and figure examples of these terms.

### Special cases of linear mappings:

#### Definitions

- *Isomorphism*:  $\Phi : V \rightarrow W$  linear and bijective
- *Endomorphism*:  $\Phi : V \rightarrow V$  linear
- *Automorphism*:  $\Phi : V \rightarrow V$  linear and bijective
- We define  $\text{id}_V : V \rightarrow V$ ,  $x \mapsto x$  as the *identity mapping* or *identity automorphism* in  $V$ .

- **Epimorphism**: a homomorphism that is surjective (AKA onto)
- **Monomorphism**: a homomorphism that is injective (AKA one-to-one, 1-1, or univalent)
- **Isomorphism**: a homomorphism that is bijective (AKA 1-1 and onto); isomorphic objects are equivalent, but perhaps defined in different ways

#### Graph understanding

Epimorphism: surjective, AKA onto



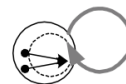
Monomorphism: injective, AKA 1-1



Isomorphism: bijective, 1-1 and onto



Endomorphism: from a structure to itself



Automorphism: bijective endomorphism



- **Automorphism**: a bijective endomorphism (an isomorphism from an object onto itself,

- **Endomorphism:** a homomorphism from an object to itself (essentially just a re-labeling of elements)



For more...

#### Homomorphism

In algebra, a homomorphism is a structure-preserving map between two algebraic structures of the same type (such as two groups, two rings, or two vector spaces). The word homomorphism comes from the Ancient Greek language: ὁμός (homos) meaning "same" and μορφή (morphe) meaning "form" or "shape". However, the word was apparently

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Homomorphism>

## Isomorphism

### Theorem

Finite-dimensional vector spaces  $V$  and  $W$  are *isomorphism* if and only if  $\dim(V) = \dim(W)$ .

This theorem states that

- *there exists a linear, bijective mapping between two vector spaces of the same dimension, means they're kind of same thing*
- treat  $\mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and  $\mathbb{R}^{mn}$  the same

### Properties of isomorphism

- For linear mappings  $\Phi : V \rightarrow W$  and  $\Psi : W \rightarrow X$ , the mapping  $\Psi \circ \Phi : V \rightarrow X$  is also linear.
- If  $\Phi : V \rightarrow W$  is an isomorphism, then  $\Phi^{-1} : W \rightarrow V$  is an isomorphism, too.
- If  $\Phi : V \rightarrow W$ ,  $\Psi : V \rightarrow W$  are linear, then  $\Phi + \Psi$  and  $\lambda\Phi$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathbb{R}$ , are linear, too.

## Matrix Representation of Linear Mappings

Any  $n$ -dimensional vector space  $V$  is isomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^n$ . Consider the ordered basis vectors of  $V$ , write as  $B = (b_1, \dots, b_n)$ .





$B = (b_1, \dots, b_n)$ : ordered basis

$\{b_1, \dots, b_n\}$ : unordered basis

$[b_1, \dots, b_n]$ : a matrix whose columns are vectors  $b_1, \dots, b_n$

## Coordinates

*the coordinate vector/coordinate representation*

**Definition 2.18** (Coordinates). Consider a vector space  $V$  and an ordered basis  $B = (b_1, \dots, b_n)$  of  $V$ . For any  $x \in V$  we obtain a unique representation (linear combination)

$$x = \alpha_1 b_1 + \dots + \alpha_n b_n \quad (2.90)$$

of  $x$  with respect to  $B$ . Then  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n$  are the *coordinates* of  $x$  with respect to  $B$ , and the vector

$$\alpha = \begin{bmatrix} \alpha_1 \\ \vdots \\ \alpha_n \end{bmatrix} \in \mathbb{R}^n \quad (2.91)$$

is the *coordinate vector/coordinate representation* of  $x$  with respect to the ordered basis  $B$ .

## Transformation Matrix

Definition



**Definition 2.19** (Transformation Matrix). Consider vector spaces  $V, W$  with corresponding (ordered) bases  $B = (\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n)$  and  $C = (\mathbf{c}_1, \dots, \mathbf{c}_m)$ . Moreover, we consider a linear mapping  $\Phi : V \rightarrow W$ . For  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$ ,

$$\Phi(\mathbf{b}_j) = \alpha_{1j}\mathbf{c}_1 + \dots + \alpha_{mj}\mathbf{c}_m = \sum_{i=1}^m \alpha_{ij}\mathbf{c}_i \quad (2.92)$$

is the unique representation of  $\Phi(\mathbf{b}_j)$  with respect to  $C$ . Then, we call the  $m \times n$ -matrix  $\mathbf{A}_\Phi$ , whose elements are given by

$$A_\Phi(i, j) = \alpha_{ij}, \quad (2.93)$$

the *transformation matrix* of  $\Phi$  (with respect to the ordered bases  $B$  of  $V$  and  $C$  of  $W$ ).

Example:

Algebra

**Example 2.21** (Transformation Matrix)

Consider a homomorphism  $\Phi : V \rightarrow W$  and ordered bases  $B = (\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_3)$  of  $V$  and  $C = (\mathbf{c}_1, \dots, \mathbf{c}_4)$  of  $W$ . With

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi(\mathbf{b}_1) &= \mathbf{c}_1 - \mathbf{c}_2 + 3\mathbf{c}_3 - \mathbf{c}_4 \\ \Phi(\mathbf{b}_2) &= 2\mathbf{c}_1 + \mathbf{c}_2 + 7\mathbf{c}_3 + 2\mathbf{c}_4 \\ \Phi(\mathbf{b}_3) &= 3\mathbf{c}_2 + \mathbf{c}_3 + 4\mathbf{c}_4 \end{aligned} \quad (2.95)$$

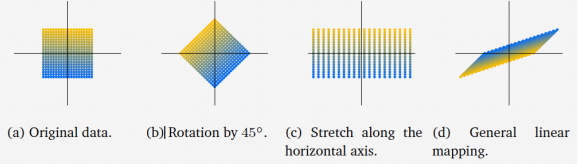
the transformation matrix  $\mathbf{A}_\Phi$  with respect to  $B$  and  $C$  satisfies  $\Phi(\mathbf{b}_k) = \sum_{i=1}^4 \alpha_{ik}\mathbf{c}_i$  for  $k = 1, \dots, 3$  and is given as

$$\mathbf{A}_\Phi = [\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \alpha_3] = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 7 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (2.96)$$

where the  $\alpha_j$ ,  $j = 1, 2, 3$ , are the coordinate vectors of  $\Phi(\mathbf{b}_j)$  with respect to  $C$ .

Graphic

**Example 2.22** (Linear Transformations of Vectors)



We consider three linear transformations of a set of vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  with the transformation matrices

$$\mathbf{A}_1 = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\frac{\pi}{4}) & -\sin(\frac{\pi}{4}) \\ \sin(\frac{\pi}{4}) & \cos(\frac{\pi}{4}) \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{A}_2 = \begin{bmatrix} 2 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \mathbf{A}_3 = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (2.97)$$

## Basis Change

The change of the basis make the transformation matrix of a linear mapping replace by an equivalent matrix.

**Theorem 2.20** (Basis Change). *For a linear mapping  $\Phi : V \rightarrow W$ , ordered bases*

$$B = (\mathbf{b}_1, \dots, \mathbf{b}_n), \quad \tilde{B} = (\tilde{\mathbf{b}}_1, \dots, \tilde{\mathbf{b}}_n) \quad (2.103)$$

*of  $V$  and*

$$C = (\mathbf{c}_1, \dots, \mathbf{c}_m), \quad \tilde{C} = (\tilde{\mathbf{c}}_1, \dots, \tilde{\mathbf{c}}_m) \quad (2.104)$$

*of  $W$ , and a transformation matrix  $\mathbf{A}_\Phi$  of  $\Phi$  with respect to  $B$  and  $C$ , the corresponding transformation matrix  $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_\Phi$  with respect to the bases  $\tilde{B}$  and  $\tilde{C}$  is given as*

$$\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_\Phi = \mathbf{T}^{-1} \mathbf{A}_\Phi \mathbf{S}. \quad (2.105)$$

*Here,  $\mathbf{S} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  is the transformation matrix of  $\text{id}_V$  that maps coordinates with respect to  $\tilde{B}$  onto coordinates with respect to  $B$ , and  $\mathbf{T} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$  is the transformation matrix of  $\text{id}_W$  that maps coordinates with respect to  $\tilde{C}$  onto coordinates with respect to  $C$ .*

And we can have the *equivalence* and *similarity* defined by the Theorem 2.20.

**Definition 2.21** (Equivalence). Two matrices  $\mathbf{A}, \tilde{\mathbf{A}} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  are *equivalent* if there exist regular matrices  $\mathbf{S} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  and  $\mathbf{T} \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times m}$ , such that  $\tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{T}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{S}$ .

**Definition 2.22** (Similarity). Two matrices  $\mathbf{A}, \tilde{\mathbf{A}} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  are *similar* if there exists a regular matrix  $\mathbf{S} \in \mathbb{R}^{n \times n}$  with  $\tilde{\mathbf{A}} = \mathbf{S}^{-1} \mathbf{A} \mathbf{S}$ .

#### ▼ An basis change example

**Example 2.24 (Basis Change)**

Consider a linear mapping  $\Phi : \mathbb{R}^3 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^4$  whose transformation matrix is

$$\mathbf{A}_\Phi = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ -1 & 1 & 3 \\ 3 & 7 & 1 \\ -1 & 2 & 4 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.117)$$

with respect to the standard bases

$$B = \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right), \quad C = \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right). \quad (2.118)$$

We seek the transformation matrix  $\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_\Phi$  of  $\Phi$  with respect to the new bases

$$\tilde{B} = \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right) \in \mathbb{R}^3, \quad \tilde{C} = \left( \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 1 \\ 0 \end{bmatrix}, \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \\ 1 \end{bmatrix} \right). \quad (2.119)$$

Then,

$$\mathbf{S} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{T} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, \quad (2.120)$$

where the  $i$ th column of  $\mathbf{S}$  is the coordinate representation of  $\tilde{\mathbf{b}}_i$  in terms of the basis vectors of  $B$ . Since  $B$  is the standard basis, the coordinate representation is straightforward to find. For a general basis  $B$ , we would need to solve a linear equation system to find the  $\lambda_i$  such that

$\sum_{i=1}^3 \lambda_i \mathbf{b}_i = \tilde{\mathbf{b}}_j, j = 1, \dots, 3$ . Similarly, the  $j$ th column of  $\mathbf{T}$  is the coordinate representation of  $\tilde{\mathbf{c}}_j$  in terms of the basis vectors of  $C$ .

Therefore, we obtain

$$\tilde{\mathbf{A}}_\Phi = \mathbf{T}^{-1} \mathbf{A}_\Phi \mathbf{S} = \frac{1}{2} \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 & -1 & -1 \\ 1 & -1 & 1 & -1 \\ -1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 4 & 2 \\ 10 & 8 & 4 \\ 1 & 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix} \quad (2.121a)$$

$$= \begin{bmatrix} -4 & -4 & -2 \\ 6 & 0 & 0 \\ 4 & 8 & 4 \\ 1 & 6 & 3 \end{bmatrix}. \quad (2.121b)$$

## Image and Kernel

### Definition

**Definition 2.23** (Image and Kernel).

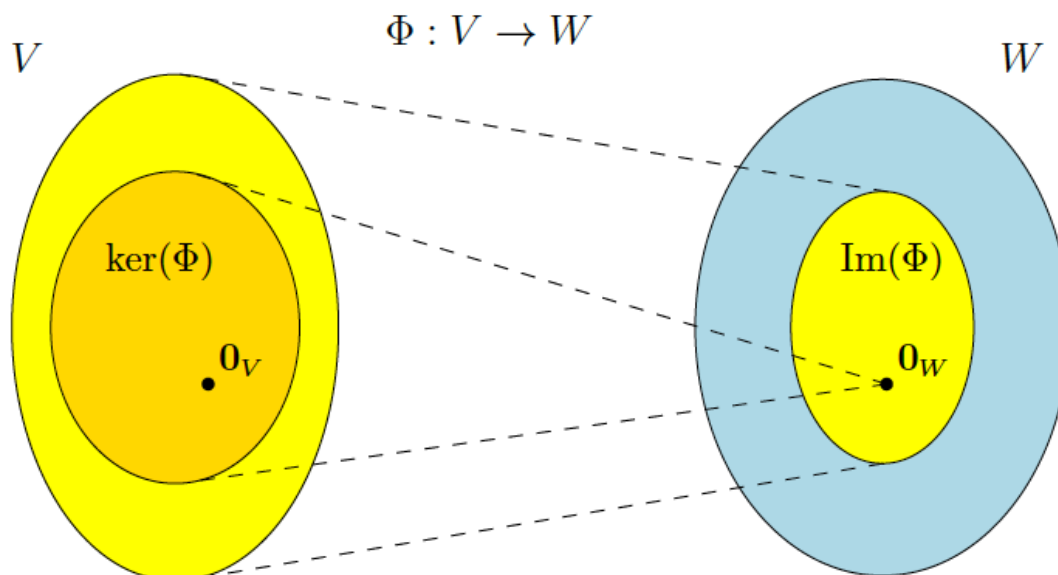
For  $\Phi : V \rightarrow W$ , we define the *kernel/null space*

$$\ker(\Phi) := \Phi^{-1}(\mathbf{0}_W) = \{\mathbf{v} \in V : \Phi(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{0}_W\} \quad (2.122)$$

and the *image/range*

$$\text{Im}(\Phi) := \Phi(V) = \{\mathbf{w} \in W | \exists \mathbf{v} \in V : \Phi(\mathbf{v}) = \mathbf{w}\}. \quad (2.123)$$

We also call  $V$  and  $W$  also the *domain* and *codomain* of  $\Phi$ , respectively.



The kernel is the set of vectors  $v \in V$  that maps onto the neutral element  $0_w \in W$ .

The image is the set of vectors  $w \in W$  that can be reached by mapping from any vector in  $V$ .

*Remark.* Consider a linear mapping  $\phi : V \rightarrow W$ , where  $V, W$  are vector spaces.

- The null space is never empty, since  $\phi(0_v) = 0_w$ , and  $0_v \in \ker(\phi)$
- $\text{Im}(\phi)$  is a subspace of  $W$ ,  $\ker(\phi)$  is a subspace of  $V$ .
- $\phi$  is injective (one-to-one) if and only if  $\ker(\phi) = \{0\}$ .

*Remark.* (Null space and Column space). Consider  $A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$  and a linear mapping  $\phi : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m, x \mapsto Ax$ .

- The image is the span of the columns of  $A$ , also called column space. For  $A = [a_1, \dots, a_n]$ , where  $a_i$  are the columns of  $A$ , we obtain

$$\text{Im} = \{Ax : x \in \mathbb{R}^n\} = \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^m x_i a_i : x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R} \right\} = \text{span}[a_1, \dots, a_n] \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

- $\text{rk}(A) = \dim(\text{Im}(\phi)) = \text{number of pivots} = \text{number of linear independent rows}$
- The kernel/null space  $\ker(\phi)$  is the general solution to the homogeneous system of linear equation  $Ax = 0$  and captures all possible linear combinations of the elements in  $\mathbb{R}^n$  that produce  $0 \in \mathbb{R}^m$ .

## Affine Spaces (linear space)

The spaces that are offset from the origin.

## Affine subspaces

### Definition

**Definition 2.25** (Affine Subspace). Let  $V$  be a vector space,  $x_0 \in V$  and  $U \subseteq V$  a subspace. Then the subset

$$L = x_0 + U := \{x_0 + u : u \in U\} \quad (2.130a)$$

$$= \{v \in V | \exists u \in U : v = x_0 + u\} \subseteq V \quad (2.130b)$$

is called *affine subspace* or *linear manifold* of  $V$ .

$U$  is called *direction/direction space*, and  $x_0$  is called *support point*.

## Affine mapping

For two vector spaces  $V, W$ , a linear

mapping  $\Phi : V \rightarrow W$ , and  $a \in W$ , the mapping

$$\phi : V \rightarrow W \quad (2.132)$$

$$x \mapsto a + \Phi(x) \quad (2.133)$$

is an *affine mapping* from  $V$  to  $W$ . The vector  $a$  is called the *translation vector* of  $\phi$ .

- Every affine mapping  $\phi : V \rightarrow W$  is also the composition of a linear mapping  $\Phi : V \rightarrow W$  and a translation  $\tau : W \rightarrow W$  in  $W$ , such that  $\phi = \tau \circ \Phi$ . The mappings  $\Phi$  and  $\tau$  are uniquely determined.
- The composition  $\phi' \circ \phi$  of affine mappings  $\phi : V \rightarrow W$ ,  $\phi' : W \rightarrow X$  is affine.
- Affine mappings keep the geometric structure invariant. They also preserve the dimension and parallelism.